

Present : Eshala, SmithB, ScathAch, Kickaha ,Commander, Kerry, The Plague, Becka, Hatch

1. The Teleport into the centre appears not to be working. When people teleport in, they are still being taken to the hub where they have to figure out how to get help. If they could be brought into the nOUBie centre next to the buddy board, this would be better.
2. The buddy board is working really well and people are using it. Those that get help when they first arrive via this method seem to be returning. Of course, we have little contact with the those that don't but anecdotally, this seems to be the case.
3. The group felt it would be good to write a piece for Sesame magazine "A users perspective". Of course, there would be no guarantee it would be published but the task was accepted anyway. Scath will write it with input from others. I will ring the Sesame office and ask about word length, deadlines etc. The piece will be written by the next meeting (4th September).
4. In line with our original idea of a 3D teleporter, Kick demonstrated a system that might be workable. It will consist of a display case with a map of the island. On it will be displayed the location of the people currently occupying the island and the ability to teleport directly to them. The latter part of course, needs some thought as the current teleport arrangements may prevent that. But a map of the island with locations of groups would come in handy for nOUBies who don't yet know how to use the main map. This should be placed in the room where the buddy board is situated.
5. Along with this, more information should be available in this room including items that have been suggested but not yet implemented :
 - Live calendar feed so people can see events.
 - nOUBie "how to's". These are now written and being passed around for comment.
 - They may be presented in a book that nOUBies can read as well as individual "Notecard" type handouts.
 - Information boards about the various groups that are active on the island (Literature, nOUBie, Beagle Challenge and Science Discussion). Perhaps some help on how to start new ones. Also information about the social aspects such as outings and parties.
 - Information about future "guided tours" and "inductions for nOUBies".

6. On the guided tours. We had a few nOUBies attend the meeting and had some interesting feedback. One of the comments was that when they arrive on the island, they really don't know what to do next. We have suggested in the past that we arrange induction evenings. We should publicise these in the forums (and maybe the Sesame article), so when nOubies arrive, they have someone to show them around in a group. Eshala. Kerry and Kick took on the task of working up how this could come to fruition.
7. It was felt that not enough use was being made of the space available at the nOubie centre. Some of the rooms should be dedicated to projects. For example, Schomers/OU are arranging an Art exhibition and would like to display this in one of the rooms. In addition, the Beagle Challenge group would like a display showing prototypes, ongoing progress and outcomes of this group. Permission needs to be gained from Elsa to do this.
8. No one is currently picking up the suggestions from the suggestion box and acting on them. I have asked Commander to look at what we have received and we must put a system in place to make sure the suggestions are acted upon.
9. Some concern has been raised about Sholokhov halls. There seems to be a large number of un-occupied apartments and many who do not have apartments and would like them. It was thought a little unfair that active Members of the community do not have places of their own whilst these flats are occupied by residents that never come on to the island.
10. In addition there has been some concern about the Prim count available to residents. They were promised 100 and, when the maths is done, the count is more like 23. However, others are taking advantage and have in excess of 600 primes! It was suggested a "residents meeting" be arranged to address the concerns.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 21:30 BST.